We began subscribing to XM radio when purchasing a new car in 2/04. We completed a 5,000 mile trip around to US without technical difficulty, without having to change stations due to being out of range, and not having to listen to a pounding of absolutely stupid commercials. For this, we pay a very acceptable fee each month.

In several communities covered by the XM Instant Traffic & Weather, we were able to determine traffic problems and weather continuously!!! And without having to search a regular radio station and catch either weather or traffic accidently between commercials. For visitors to an area, regular radio is not a viable option.

I urge you to reject the NAB petition to stop XM radio for broadcasting traffic and weather in the major areas covered. XM performs a valuable public service not furnished by commercial radio.